

DM-631

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 14 May 1958

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell (part of mtg.), Messrs. Wisner,  
Amory, [redacted] Lloyd, Kirkpatrick [redacted]  
Sheldon [redacted]

Mr. Dulles:

a) Stated in view of the events that occurred on 13 May in Caracas, North Africa and Lebanon, he felt that some soul-searching was necessary on [redacted] Mr. Wisner agreed but pointed out that an analysis of the record would show that while we had not forecast these events as they actually happened, we had disseminated considerable information on each of them to include items in the CIB. The Director then said he would like to go over the events in each of the above-cited areas:

VENEZUELA:

1) Ask DD/P to prepare a complete record of the briefings given to the Vice President prior to his departure and during his trip to South America [redacted] will ask Security for a similar report.)

2) Asked if [redacted] had a chance to brief the Vice President and if not, why. ACTION: DD/P.

3) Asked for an analysis of the situation in the Latin American countries visited by the Vice President. ACTION: DD/P.

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5) The question was raised as to whether any use should be made [redacted] and it was the consensus that he might

prove valuable, however, the Director made it clear we should

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6) Agreed with [REDACTED] comment that it would be worthwhile to put out an estimate of the situation in Latin America. ACTION: DD/I.

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7. Asked to see a copy of the memorandum prepared for Mr. Herter as a result of [REDACTED] ACTION: DD/P.

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8. Asked to see what the Communists are saying about the Caracas riots. ACTION: DD/I.

NORTH AFRICA:

1) Mr. Amory suggested that the Watch Committee consider the possibility of the Algerian/French Army attacking Tunis. After some discussion in which General Cabell pointed out that in his opinion this did not come within the Watch Committee's Charter it was agreed that he would propose the following question to the Committee at its meeting today: "If Massu attacks Tunis what will be the reaction of the USSR and the UAR?"

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3) Asked that items over a period of about a month that have been ~~publicized~~ in the CIB on Venezuela, Algeria and Lebanon be pulled out and furnished him. ACTION: AD/CI.

4) Referred to the riots in Caracas, Paris, Algeria, Lebanon and anti-American statements in Burma (all of which occurred on 13 May) and stated while all of these could not be considered as Communist inspired they did seem to fall into a pattern and asked whether it might be possible that the Communists in fact were pulling the strings. Mr. Sheldon noted that OCI is already working on this.

Mr. Lloyd:

Noted that we had received the IAC Agencies budget figures and some had submitted Fiscal '58 while others had provided figures for '59. It was agreed that '58 would be the year since these figures have already been defended by the Intelligence Chiefs. ACTION: Acting DD/S and [ ] to obtain the 1958 figures and prepare a proposed letter for DCI's signature to the Cannon Committee. 25X1

Mr. Kirkpatrick:

25X1 a) Stated that he had looked into the report mentioning that CIA has a file on the [ ] case as contained in a report by a Sub-Committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee and reported that his investigation did not reveal that we had made available to any Committee of Congress information in our file on this case. [ ] recalled that the Director had furnished a blind copy of a message [ ] to the Secretary of State. 25X1 25X1 ACTION: IG to prepare a blind memorandum for DCI's signature to Mr. Herter.

b) Reported that articles on CIA are now under preparation by Don Whitehead and John Scallan.

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